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Subject: EPA Comments - LRP-2018-730 - Benedum Airport Authority
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Thank you for the opportunity to review the Public Notice (PN) and supporting documentation for a Clean Water Act (CWA) Section 404 permit application to discharge dredged and/or fill material into waters of the United States to facilitate the construction of the Terminal and Aerotech Park Phase I at the North Central West Virginia Airport (Airport) near Bridgeport in Harrison County, West Virginia. The applicant proposes to discharge permanent fill material into 7,710 linear feet (lf) of 16 unnamed tributaries to Ann Run and Peddler Run and 3.363 acres (ac) of 15 wetlands. The applicant intends to mitigate for these unavoidable aquatic impacts through a combination of mitigation bank credits and permittee-responsible mitigation (PRM). The Brushy Fork Mitigation Bank and Hackers Creek Mitigation Bank would be used to offset 1.929 wetland debits, and the PRM, the Little Run Mitigation Site, would be used to offset 4,156.433 stream debits and 3.041 wetland debits.

EPA's review is intended to assure that the proposed project is consistent with the CWA Section 404(b)(1) Guidelines (Guidelines) (40 C.F.R. Part 230), which provide the substantive environmental review criteria for CWA Section 404 permit applications. Based on the information provided for review, EPA believes that additional information is necessary to assist the Corps in determining if the project, as proposed, complies with the Guidelines and offers the following comments on the proposal in the attached enclosure.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Thank you,

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